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On Its Own Motion

Investigation into forward-looking economic
cost studies for non-rural local exchange
carriers.

97-0515

Mrs. Donna Caton
Chief Clerk
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 East Capitol Avenue
P. O. Box 19280
Springfield, IL 62794

Dear Mrs. Caton:

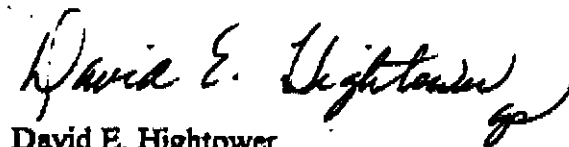
In accordance with Ordering Paragraph No. 9, page 24, of the May 6, 1998, Order entered by the Commission in this docket, enclosed for filing are the original and three copies of the results of GTE's running its COSTMOD for each of its wire centers in Illinois, using inputs that are specific to the wire centers. By making this compliance filing as required by the Commission's May 6, 1998 Order, GTE does not waive any rights and remedies it has concerning its position that the Commission's Order was unlawful and unreasonable and should have been stayed pending the outcome of GTE's appeal of the Order.

These results, including the data encoded on the enclosed CD-ROM discs, are considered "Proprietary" by GTE North Incorporated. I therefore respectfully request that, in accordance with Ordering Paragraph No. 10, page 24, of the May 6, 1998, Order entered by the Commission in this docket, you maintain this filing so that there is no "disclosure, dissemination, revelation or reproduction thereof without further order of the Commission".

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If there are any questions concerning this letter, please initially contact Greg D. Smith, Manager-Regulatory Affairs at telephone number 309/663-3345. Mr. Smith's fax number is 309/663-3073. You may contact me at telephone number 309/663-3622. My facsimile machine number is 309/663-3647.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David E. Hightower". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a stylized flourish at the end.

David E. Hightower
Attorney

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Enclosures